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Maribeth Ladd
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Re: The Bay State Gas Company, D.T.E. 02-75

Dear Ms. Ladd:

Enclosed please find information requests by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy to The Bay State Gas Company regarding the above-captioned matter. Please submit copies of the Company's responses to the Department by 5:00 p.m., May 12, 2003.

Should you have any questions please contact me at (617) 305-3762. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jody Stiefel
Hearing Officer

Enc.
cc: Service List
Mary Cottrell, Secretary

SECOND SET OF INFORMATION REQUESTS OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY TO
THE BAY STATE GAS COMPANY

Pursuant to 220 C.M.R. 1.06(6)(c), the Department of Telecommunications and Energy (“Department”) hereby submits to The Bay State Gas Company (“Bay State” or “Company”) the following information request(s) with respect to the November 15, 2002 Forecast and Supply Plan filing, D.T.E. 02-75.

Request

DTE 4-1 Please refer to the Company’s response to DTE 1-32.

- (a) Define “Line Loss,” “Company Use,” and “Unaccounted-for”.
- (b) Indicate whether the Company is mandated by any State or Federal regulations to keep track of “Line Loss”. If so, provide an such records for the past five years.
- (c) Did the Company add the forecast of “Gas Unaccounted For” into the sendout model? Explain.
- (d) Present a table with the following columns: year (2003 to 2007); “Gas Unaccounted For”; “Company Use”; Company’s total requirements; and finally, a column that shows: (the sum of the percentage of “Gas Unaccounted For” and the percentage of “Company Use”) divided by the Company’s total requirements.
- (e) Explain the discrepancies in the Unaccounted For Gas history reported in Attachment 2 of the Company’s response to DTE 2-2.